

LABOR LEADERS MEET

Largest Gathering Ever Held in America.

STRIKE SITUATION DISCUSSED

The Conference Behind Closed Doors—Operators Uniformity Meeting at Pittsburg.

WHEELING, W. Va., July 27.—What is declared to be the most important and largest gathering of the heads of labor organizations of America ever held is now in session in this city. It is the conference of labor leaders called last week by President M. D. Ratchford of the United Mine Workers and approved by President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, in which the miners' organization is a part. The part of the conference is to aid in a speedy and successful termination of the great coal strike. Sessions of the conference were held during the day and tonight, but until the night session was held little had been accomplished.

The following labor leaders are present: Samuel Gompers of New York, president of the American Federation of Labor; Frank Morrison of Chicago, secretary of the federation; J. C. Ratchford of Columbus, president of the United Mine Workers of America; W. O. Pease of Columbus, secretary of the miners' organization; F. H. Morrison of Detroit, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; W. D. Mahon of Detroit, president of the Street Railway Union; J. B. Sovereign, president of the Knights of Labor; J. H. Sullivan of Baltimore, president of the International Association of Decorators and Painters; J. B. Long of Bloomington, Ill., president of the Canteen Union; J. F. Mulholland of Toledo, president of the International Union of Marine Workers; J. B. Long of Nashville, Tenn., president of the International Printing Pressmen's Union; W. B. Prescott of Indianapolis, president of the International Typographical Union; Robert A. Riley of Chicago, Mich., secretary of the Northern Miners' Union; William McKinley of Lafayette, Ind., president of the Painters and Decorators Union; J. W. Keas of Chicago, president of the International Tobacco Workers Union; J. B. Long of Pittsburgh, president of the Associated Association of Steel, Iron and Tin Workers; C. E. Williams of Chicago, president of the Order of Railway Conductors; F. P. Sergeant of Peoria, grand master of the Brotherhood of Railway Firemen; Val Fitzpatrick of Columbus, third vice president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; J. B. Long of Bridgeport, Ohio, secretary of the Ohio miners' organization; E. V. Debs of Chicago, former head of the American Railway Union; J. Knudsen of Pittsburgh, secretary of the American Flint Glass Workers Union; W. H. Riley of Denver, secretary of the National Stone Workers' League; M. P. Carrick of Pittsburgh, secretary of the painters' organization; P. J. Conaghan of Pittsburgh, secretary of the National Plumbers and Gas Fitters' Union.

SECRETARY GAGE DINED

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY BUSINESS MEN ATTEND.

The Secretary Speaks of the Aims of the Administrative Branch of the Government.

BOSTON, July 27.—The dinner of Boston business men to Secretary Gage at the Tufters this afternoon was attended by about 150 of the leading men in professional and commercial life in the city. An informal reception was held preceding the dinner.

On being introduced, Secretary Gage said in part:

"Opposing forces met in November last and contended bitterly over the most vital of economic questions. That issue is now decided. The ballot has recorded its imperative voice for honest money and for liberty regulated by law. It now remains to be seen whether from this point of view there is any successful appeal. It is this that gives interest to the prospective action of those who, clothed with legislative and executive functions, have it in their power to make secure their rule of victory or who are failing to comprehend their high responsibility may let the advantages so hard won.

"The administrative branch of the government will not sleep nor rest in its duty. It will be alert and will be felt by prompt and judicious action. The evidence of this fact is fresh at hand in the messages just submitted to congress by the President.

"The recommendation by the President to a committee was admirable in this, that it suggested a way by which a body of well-trained and thoughtful men could be provided to consider, at leisure, without distraction from other pressing themes, the important subject of a point where it could be reached, furnished, command and management can make correct estimates and guarantees upon their respective missions of exchange and production with a new sense of security. The responsibility in power having safely covered this one point, they are safely trusted to care equally well for the other."

Incendiary Fires at Sonoma.

SONOMA, July 28.—This morning at 1:30 o'clock a large barn owned by C. Ashton of this place was burned to the ground. As the firemen were returning to the engine house another fire was discovered in the wine cellar of J. A. Pope. This was quickly extinguished, and upon investigation they found a candle, with a bottle for its holder, filled with oil. This had been placed in the wine cellar and had been playing over this fourth attempt in the past few months to burn this town.

French Steamer Overdue.

WASHINGTON, July 28.—A dispatch to the state department from the United States consul at Marseilles says that the French mail steamer Alphonse which cleared from Beira Mar for Marseilles has not been heard from and that it is feared she has foundered at sea. It is probable she had mails from the United States on board.

TROOPS TO GO NORTH

A Company May Leave Seattle the August 5th.

THE CANADIAN MINING LAWS

L. M. Turner, Who Spent Eleven Years in Alaska, Says Wait Until March, 1898.

SANTA FE CHANGES.

General Passenger and Freight Agents Appointed.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—The position of assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Santa Fe railroad in this city, held until recently by H. C. Dush, has been abolished, and the latter gentleman has been appointed general agent of the freight department.

John L. Truitt has been appointed general agent of the passenger department. Both appointments will have headquarters in this city.

F. A. Jones, who has been identified with the Santa Fe road and Northern California, has also been given the position of general agent of the freight and passenger department of the road, with headquarters at San Francisco.

The company has announced that the jurisdiction of H. C. Gregory, assistant general passenger agent of the Southern California railway, has been extended over the Santa Fe railroad.

Knows Where Dunham Is.

SAN JOSE, July 27.—A. M. Stoddard, who gave Oakland as his residence, called on Chief of Police Kidward today and made the statement that he knew the whereabouts of Dunham, murderer of the McKinley family, but that he must have \$1000 in cash before he would divulge the whereabouts of the fugitive. Kidward refused the offer to the chief of police, but instead of going there the chief of police had no evidence in Stoddard's story. The would-be informer said he came to San Jose at the request of a friend, an engineer on a boat in San Francisco harbor. The engineer, Stoddard said, had seen Dunham in a foreign port, but the name of the port was not given.

THE FRUIT OUTLOOK.

A FAVORABLE WEEK AND GOOD FRUIT DOING WELL.

The Wheat Harvest Neaving Completion—The Yield Varying.

Stockton in the Swim.

Stockton, July 27.—The Klondike fever has reached Stockton in earnest, and John O. Yardley and Robert L. Quisenberry of this city will be among a party which will leave San Francisco on the 10th inst. for the Yukon.

A Revenue Producer.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Assistant Secretary Bowen of the treasury department, who is in charge of custom matters, said today: "The new tariff bill is particularly free from duties which, despite the most careful vigilance, are liable to creep into such measures. It is a revenue producer and in my opinion will produce at least \$18,000,000 during the present fiscal year, and I expect at least \$20,000,000 during the fiscal year 1899."

S. P. Officials at Visalia.

Visalia, July 27.—Directors H. E. Huntington and Julius Krattschmidt of the Southern Pacific, accompanied by Chief Engineer Curtis and Superintendent Burkhalter, arrived here this morning on a special train, on a trip of inspection of the Visalia branch. The extension of the Visalia branch to Kewanah on the east side line is under consideration by the directors of the road.

Presidential Appointments.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The President today announced the following recess appointments: T. V. Powderly, minister plenipotentiary to the United States; Robert T. Bennett, minister plenipotentiary to the United States; Robert T. Bennett, minister plenipotentiary to the United States; Robert T. Bennett, minister plenipotentiary to the United States.

Miners' Conference Postponed.

St. Louis, July 27.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Sedalia, Mo., says: After the arrival of the late trains it was decided to postpone the miners' conference until tomorrow when delegates from the Arkansas and an Illinois delegation who have been visiting at Sedalia, Kan., will be here to participate in the deliberations.

Convicted of Murder.

San Diego, July 27.—Manuel Chavez, the half breed Indian who brutally stabbed his Mexican mistress, Gregoria Rodriguez, to death at the mining camp of San Diego in this county on May 14th, was convicted this afternoon of murder in the first degree. Sentence will be pronounced Friday.

DEMOCRATIC HARMONY

Gorman Still Has His Hand on the Lever.

CONTROLS THE ORGANIZATION

He Inspired the Resolutions and the Candidates Were Selected by Him.

BALTIMORE, July 28.—Harmony of the old fashioned kind prevailed at the Democratic state convention today, and it was clearly demonstrated that United States Senator Gorman still has his hand on the lever that controls the movements of the organization. The candidates nominated by the convention were adopted by him and the resolutions were adopted of his inspiration. As chairman of the committee on resolutions he read the platform, and read it in such a way as to indicate that he knew it almost without looking at it. At his suggestion, one of the candidates withdrew when his nomination seemed assured, and another was taken up by the convention, and at his request a gold and silver man waived their objections for the names and voted to adopt a platform that declares for bimetalism, but is silent as to the vital question of "free" coinage.

The platform was the subject of much consideration among the leaders whose efforts are directed toward securing a currency plank that will prevent a breach between the gold and silver advocates.

Colonel Buchanan Soley was appointed temporary chairman and in a brief address asserted that the Republican party, having enacted all the currency laws now on the statute books, are responsible for the present condition of affairs.

A committee on resolutions was selected. It was decided to refer to the committee all resolutions presented. A recess was then taken.

After the recess Senator Gorman, chairman of the committee on resolutions, read the platform, which was afterwards adopted without a single dissenting vote.

The resolutions declare that the fundamental principle of Democracy have remained unchanged.

"The Democracy of Maryland, in common with the Democracy of the union, believe now as they have always believed, in honest money, the gold and silver money of the constitution, the coinage of both metals, without discrimination against either, into standard dollars of final payments and redemption."

"We are with satisfaction that the demand of more than six and one-half millions of Democratic voters, expressed at the polls last November, has compelled President McKinley and a Republican congress to agree upon the European gold standard as the medium of exchange, and the necessity for an international convention to arrange the terms of a bimetallic system, by the operation of which both gold and silver shall be used and recognized as units of value."

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THE PRESIDENT'S VACATION.

Washington, July 27.—The presidential party will leave here tomorrow for their vacation on the shores of Lake Champlain. The chief executive desires to obtain as far as possible a complete rest from official duties during his vacation, but few appointments will be made during that time. It is stated that the White House that all papers sent to the President to his summer home will be mailed to Washington without being opened. The President, it is said, will look over no papers while he is away, and whatever appointments are made will be announced here.

Boys Sent to Folsom.

JACKSON, July 27.—James Quinn and William Dowsay, inmates of the Folsom Reformatory, have pleaded guilty to a charge of arson in attempting to fire the school. The school, a building with coal oil, placed them in the bottom of an elevator shaft and struck a lighted match in them. The plot was discovered in time to prevent serious consequences. A few seconds more would have sufficed to start a disastrous fire. The boys are about 19 years old. Quinn was sentenced to five years and Dowsay to six years in Folsom. They were taken there today.

Decline to Furnish Arms.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The armor producing companies having declined to furnish the navy department the armor needed for the three battleships now building at the price of \$300 per ton, fixed by congress, Secretary Long has taken the second step in the line marked out by congress and has called upon the ship building companies themselves to submit proposals for procuring and fitting the armor. One of them, the Union Iron Works of San Francisco, has already responded, declining, like the armor companies, the department's invitation.

The Indians to be Ducked.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Secretary Long has decided to send the big battleship Indiana to Hawaii to be docked and repaired. It is felt to be necessary to do this in order to prevent injury to the hull of the ship from corrosion. The department would have much preferred to send the Indiana to Port Royal, S. C., for this purpose, but the opinion of the navy department in the navy department was that it would be difficult to get the ship to Port Royal in the present condition of the dock there.

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CANADIANS ARE ALERT

New Posts to Be Established in the Gold Country.

MORE POLICE WILL BE SENT

Estimates Will Be Obtained for a Wagon Road and Telegraph Line.

OTTAWA, July 28.—At the meeting of the ministers last evening Minister Patterson was authorized to send two more customs officers to the Alaskan boundary by the steamer, which sails for the north tomorrow. The officers will be taken from the Victoria customs house, and will be accompanied by a couple of provincial police. They will open stations as outposts of Victoria beyond the head of Lynn canal, which is in disputed territory and at present in the United States possession and at Lake Tegish. There is a collector at Lake Tegish, only fifty miles from Dawson City, and these arrangements, backed by a strong force of police, are considered ample for the protection for the revenue just now. The greatest question of all is one of communication. It is said that a pack trail will be opened from the first post to be established at sixty degrees of latitude in undisputed British territory. If so, a trans-Alaskan railway can be built where there is a pack trail.

The road would not be great, and if a train could be hauled twice a day over the mountains facing the coast a tremendous obstacle would be overcome, and in winter it is impossible to cross the mountains except at the risk of life, and to be caught in a storm would be fatal. The mounted police force will be increased from 20 to 100. Thomas Hawcutt will be continued as collector of customs and the regulations already adopted under his administration.

A strong customs and police post will be established just north of the British Columbia boundary beyond the head of the Lynn canal at sixty degrees of latitude. The post will be situated on the coast of the Gulf of Alaska, and will be a narrow gauge railroad to this point in the mountains, a distance of seventy or eighty miles, about forty of which is in the mountains. This post will be where the Chilkoot and White passes converge, and command the south entrances to the whole territory.

Mounted police posts will be established here at distances of fifty miles apart on the coast of Alaska. These will be where the Chilkoot and White passes converge, and command the south entrances to the whole territory.

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Manhoney of New York voted with the Democrats and Populists against the order.

The bill was passed, 124 to 99, ~~in~~ present and not voting.  
The house at 8 o'clock took a recess until 9:30 p. m.

At 9 o'clock the speaker declared the house adjourned without day.

**TWO WIDOWS APPEAR.**  
**Each Striving for the Estate of**  
**Joseph Bacheider.**  
 SANTA ROSA, July 26.—Two widows appeared in Judge Burnett's courtroom this afternoon, each striving for the estate of Joseph Bacheider, a Guerneville capitalist. Bacheider came from Wisconsin many years ago and settled in Guerneville, where he soon after married a woman who then became Mrs. Louisa Bacheider. They had a number of children. After Bacheider

lera of administration, but when she came into court was confronted by Mrs. Susan Bachelder, who claimed to be the wife of Bachelder. She claimed that the divorce had been granted by The Wisconsin widow secured the first victory, the court granting letters of administration to her. Now the Guernsey woman is attempting to secure a portion of the estate on account of having acted as housekeeper for Bachelder for many years. Much property is involved and a formidable array of legal talent has been employed on each side. Bachelder had one child by his Wisconsin wife.

PEACE PRELIMINARIES DRAFTED  
BY THE POWERS.

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Germany's Desire to Institute European Control of Greek Finances Hampers a Settlement.

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CONSTANTINOPLE, July 36.—At the sitting of the peace conference today the ambassadors presented the peace preliminaries drafted by the powers, which

difference that may arise between the Greek and Turkish plenipotentiaries in arranging a definite treaty. It is stated that the powers will insist upon the acceptance by the ports of this provision and its reception, therefore, by the Sultan will be highly significant. The desire of Germany to institute a European control of Greek finances still hampers the settlement of the indemnity question. It is understood that the Volo-Larissa railway will be transferred to the Greek administration, with the stipulation that the same facilities shall

**TARIFF CIRCULAR.**

**Passage of the New Law.**  
WASHINGTON, July 26.—The following circular was issued today from the treasury department:  
To the collector and other officers of the customs:—The President having this day approved the tariff act recently passed by congress, the tariff act of August 23, 1894, so far as it has been amended by the act of August 23, 1894, and the act of August 23, 1894, as amended on July 26, 1897 (synopsis 15,381 and 6148). All merchandise entered at the customs house on and after July 26, 1897, and all merchandise entered on or after July 26, 1897, will be subject to liquidation under the provisions of the new act. All existing regulations relative to the importing of goods, and all other regulations, shall thereunto continue in force and effect unless duly modified or revoked.  
W. B. POWELL, Assistant Secretary.

**Cotton Mills Shut Down.**  
LAWRENCE, Mass., July 26.—The agents of the Atlantic and Pacific cot-

that operations will be suspended after their millle during the month of August. No reason was given by the agents for the shut down. About 2000 operators will be affected.

**Chautauque's Adjourn.**

PACIFIC GROVE, July 24.—The Pacific Coast Chautauque assembly closed after two weeks' meeting of profit and pleasure today. Tonight a grand concert occurred in the assembly hall where an elaborate musical program was rendered.

**A Year in State Prison.**

REDWOOD, July 24.—Charles Neilson, who while drunk made a murderous assault upon Peter Burg at Barney Valley last week, pleads guilty to a charge of assault with a deadly weapon today and Judge Sweeney sentenced him to a year in the state prison.

**Fire at Chico.**

CHICO, July 24.—Late last night the

burned to the ground. Very little of the goods were saved from the building. The total loss is about \$1600; insurance \$850. The fire was caused from a defective fuse.

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